



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
FORT WORTH DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

August 27, 2001

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

**PROPOSED IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
INSTALLATION INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT PLAN
FOR
RED RIVER ARMY DEPOT, BOWIE COUNTY, TEXAS**

Description. Interested parties are hereby notified that the District Engineer, Fort Worth District, has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) and a draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) regarding the proposed implementation of the November 2000 revision of the Installation Integrated Pest Management Plan (IIPMP) for the Red River Army Depot (RRAD). The proposed action would serve as an instrument for RRAD to accomplish the Army's mission of incorporating integrated pest management measures to prevent pests and disease vectors from causing unacceptable damage to operations, people, property, material, and the environment.

Statutory Authority. This notice is being issued to all interested parties in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended, the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Code of Federal Regulations (40 CFR parts 1500-1508), and Army Regulation 200-2, Environmental Effects of Army Actions.

Background. Red River Army Depot was established in 1941 as an ammunition storage facility. The installation is located in the northeast corner of Texas approximately 18 miles west of Texarkana, Texas in central Bowie County. The installation is within 200 miles of Dallas, Texas; Shreveport, Louisiana; Little Rock, Arkansas; and Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. RRAD shares an easterly border with the government-owned and contractor-operated Lone Star Army Ammunition Plant (LSAAP). The 18,446-acre installation is located on land that contains mostly semi-improved acreage in pine and hardwood forests. Improved areas include approximately 1,400 buildings consisting of ammunition igloos, standard magazines, warehouses, administrative offices, a supply-training center, a light track overhaul facility, a central distribution center, and demolition facilities. Two man-made lakes, Caney Creek Reservoir and Elliot Creek Reservoir, are located within RRAD and supply installation drinking water. The installation is responsible for distribution, maintenance, and storage of general supplies and ammunition, vehicle rebuild and modification, aircraft armament system overhaul, and the missile system maintenance mission of the U.S. Army Materiel Command.

Proposed Action. The proposed action is the implementation of the IIPMP by RRAD. Various alternatives, including the No Action Alternative and various components of the IIPMP were examined in the EA. The IIPMP would be implemented to prevent or manage pests that interfere with the supply, maintenance, and ammunition missions of RRAD, adversely affect public health, or damage property, structures, or material. The IIPMP provides a guide to establish and maintain safe, efficient, and

environmentally sound integrated pest management procedures. The IIPMP would utilize an integrated pest management approach that implements mechanical, physical, biological, and chemical controls to manage pest species on RRAD. The pest management program at RRAD includes a variety of pests that are managed based on a priority scale. Pests that interfere with public health, destroy structural property, or interfere with the missions of RRAD are given the highest priority for management. The IIPMP utilizes continuous monitoring, education, record keeping, and communication to aid in incorporation of new technology into the program, allow for timely responses to pest complex changes, and to avoid the development of pest resistance. Additionally, safety procedures and precautions for pesticide application, storage, and disposal are described in the IIPMP, along with a description of the pest control facility, personal safety equipment, and material safety data sheets (MSDS). Implementation of the IIPMP is controlled in accordance with Army Regulation 200-5 (Pest Management), and the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act.

Public Meeting. A public meeting has not been scheduled for this proposed action. Prior to the close of the comment period, any person may make a written request for a public meeting, setting forth the particular reasons for the request. The District Engineer will determine whether the issues raised are substantial and should be considered in his decision. If a public meeting is warranted, all known interested parties will be notified of the time, date, and location of such a meeting.

Public Review. Pursuant to the regulations implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 as amended in 1975 (40 Code of Federal Regulations [CFR], Parts 1500 through 1508), the U.S. Department of the Army gives notice that it has prepared the required environmental documentation for the Red River Army Depot in Bowie County, Texas. This document is available for review at the following addresses:

Red River Army Depot	New Boston Public Library	Texarkana Public Library
Building 286	127 North Ellis Street	600 West Third Street
Texarkana, Texas 75507	New Boston, Texas 75570	Texarkana, Texas 75501
(903) 334-2361	(903) 628-5414	(903) 794-2149

Comment Period. The comment period for this action is 30 days from the date of this Public Notice. Please address any comments to the Fort Worth District, Planning Environmental, and Regulatory Division, Post Office Box 17300, Fort Worth, Texas 76102-0300.

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